

REMARKS

Claim 13 is added herein. Claims 1, 6, 7 and 8 are amended herein. Claims 2, 5 and 9 are cancelled. Claims 1, 3-4, 6-8 and 10-13 are pending and under consideration. Independent claim 1 (used as an example) recites a first eccentric bush rotatably fitted around an outer surface of the first eccentric cam; the second eccentric unit comprises a second eccentric cam fixedly fitted around the outer surface of the rotating shaft in the second compressing chamber, and a second eccentric bush rotatably fitted around an outer surface of the second eccentric cam. These features were previously recited in claim 5. The Examiner relies upon the piston 7b of Fujio as corresponding to the claimed second eccentric bush. However, piston 7b is a piston, not a bush.

New claim 13 recites that refrigerant is sucked into the compressing chamber having the compression operation and not into the other chamber. In contrast, Fujio teaches simultaneous compression in both chambers. Hix teaches a reciprocating compressor in which the rotating direction varies the effective stroke length of the piston. Hix, para. 3. It is also noted that in the "response to arguments" portion of the Office Action, the Examiner admits that Hix operates in a reduced state, meaning a small amount of fluid is still pumped.

Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejections is requested. There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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